

REMARKS

The Examiner indicated that claim 18 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Claims 1-17, 19-31, 33-36 and 38-44 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Blants et al. (United States Patent No. 6,231,519). The claimed invention is not anticipated. Blants et al. does not disclose a method or system for detecting an event including comparing occurrences of at least one health symptom to a trigger value as claimed.

Blants et al. discloses a method and an apparatus for providing air quality analysis based on human reactions and clustering methods. Risk factor information and location data associated with asthma patients is collected (column 3, line 66 to column 4, line 2), and advisory information can be provided to each individual 310 as private advice (column 5, lines 30 to 35) to provide a warning if the individual goes into an area where the risk level is high. Blants et al. does not disclose that the occurrences of the health symptoms are compared to a trigger value as claimed. Instead, the collected information is clustered and provided as advice to individuals to provide a warning. The claimed invention is not obvious.

No additional fees are due. If any additional fees are due, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482 in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds, P.C., for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment. Therefore, favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully Submitted,

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